

Alabama, will shortly visit the State; and,

Whereas, Congressman Heflin has ever been a faithful and loyal champion of the interest of the cotton growers of the South; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Honorable J. T. Heflin be invited to address a joint session of the Senate and House at such time as may be convenient to him and that the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House be directed to telegraph this invitation to the said Honorable J. T. Heflin.

BEE.
LATTIMORE.

The resolution was read and on motion of Senator Bee the same was adopted.

At Ease.

By unanimous consent the Chair, at 11:25 o'clock a. m., announced that the Senate would stand at ease for thirty minutes.

In the Senate.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem. Smith.

Adjournment.

At 12:00 o'clock m. and on motion of Senator Clark, the Senate adjourned until 10:00 o'clock Monday morning.

APPENDIX.

Committee Report.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, Aug. 17, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred Simple Resolution No. 21, beg leave to report the following substitute:

Committee Substitute.

Whereas, At the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature laws were passed establishing the West Texas A. & M. College, the Sul Ross Normal, Stephen F. Austin Normal, the South Texas Normal and several junior A. & M. colleges; and,

Whereas, Since the passage of these laws our country has become involved in war with certain foreign countries whereby a large number of young men will be drafted into the service, and which will necessarily decrease the attendance in our colleges and universities and which will lessen the demand for said normals and agricultural schools in this State; and,

Whereas, An extensive drouth has practically enveloped the entire State, resulting in poor crop conditions and bringing distress upon a large portion of our State population; and,

Whereas, Our State tax rate has already reached the constitutional limit and on account of extensive crop failures a large proportion of the people of the State are asking for aid and many of whom will be burdened to meet their present tax rate; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the State of Texas request that the Governor submit to the Legislature for their consideration the repeal of the laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature establishing the West Texas A. & M. College, the Sul Ross College, the Stephen F. Austin Normal College, the South Texas Normal College, and several junior A. & M. colleges.

Provided that nothing herein shall apply to the John Tarlton College at Stephenville, Texas, the Commerce Normal College at Commerce, Texas, and the Grubbs Vocational School at Arlington, Texas, as no request is made by this resolution to repeal the laws creating said schools. And provided further, that the request is made hereby for the Governor to submit to this Legislature the question of repealing of the law creating and making an appropriation for the Northwest Texas Insane Asylum and the act appropriating two million dollars for the aid of rural schools.

McCOLLUM, Chairman.

TWELFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Monday, August 20, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum

being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice.	Hall.
Bailey.	Henderson.
Bee.	Johnson of Hall.
Buchanan of Bell.	Johnston of Harris.
Buchanan of Scurry.	Lattimore.
Caldwell.	McNealus.
Dayton.	Page.
Dean.	Parr.
Decherd.	Strickland.
Floyd.	Sulter.
Gibson.	Woodward.

Absent.

Clark.	Robbins.
Harley.	Smith.
McCollum.	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins. Hudspeth.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with, on motion of Senator McNealus.

Excused.

Senator McCollum for today, on account of important business, on motion of Senator Bailey.

Senator Clark for today, on account of important business, on motion of Senator McNealus.

Resolutions Signed.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Hobby) gave notice of signing, and did sign in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following resolutions:

H. C. R. No. 3, Granting leave of absence from the State to Hon. Ben M. Terrell, judge of the Sixty-seventh Judicial District.

H. C. R. No. 4, Reaffirming the confidence of the people of Texas in the administration of President Woodrow Wilson.

Messages from the Governor.

Here a messenger from the Governor appeared at the bar of the Senate and presented the following message, which was laid before the Senate:

Governor's Office,
Austin, Texas, Aug. 18, 1917.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Hon. R. L. Templeton, I hereby submit for your consideration the matter of creating the Alanreed Independent School District in Gray County, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,
JAS. E. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office,
Austin, Texas, Aug. 18, 1917.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Hon. W. R. Butler, I hereby submit for your consideration a bill, hereto attached, being an act creating the Center Oak Independent School District of Bell County, Texas, and declaring an emergency.

Respectfully submitted,
JAS. E. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office,
Austin, Texas, Aug. 18, 1917.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Hon. A. L. Beason, I hereby submit for your consideration a bill, hereto attached, being an act to regulate the business of emigrant agents; defining emigrant agents; providing for licensing any person, firm or private employment agency desiring to be licensed as an emigrant agent, etc.

Respectfully submitted,
JAS. E. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, Aug. 20, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted S. C. R. No. 2 inviting Hon. J. T. Heflin, member of Congress from Alabama to address a joint session of the Senate and House Thirty-fifth Legislature.

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Petitions and Memorials.

See Appendix.

Committee Reports.

See Appendix.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Johnson:

S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled, "An Act creating the Alanreed Independent School District in Gray county, Texas, defining its metes and bounds, providing for a board of trustees therefor, vesting it with the rights and duties of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general laws and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to the Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the business of Emigrant Agents; defining emigrant agents; providing for licensing any person, firm or private employment agency desiring to be licensed as an emigrant agent, and prescribing the method of obtaining such license, and the requirements thereof, and defining who may be licensed; prescribing certain duties relative to the Act and its administration for the Commissioner of Labor Statistics and the Attorney General, and conferring certain authority relative to the administration of this Act upon said Commissioner; fixing the fees which may be charged by parties licensed hereunder, and fixing the license fees to be paid by those licensed hereunder; creating and defining offenses for violations of this Act, and prescribing the punishment therefor; providing that all fees collected hereunder shall be paid directly into the State Treasury; declaring that all appropriations made for the Department of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics may be used in the enforcement and administration of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Buchanan of Bell:

S. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Center Oak

Independent School District of Bell county, Texas, with certain metes and bounds; providing for the election of trustees of said school district; naming the trustees and officials and their terms of office; and caring for the present bonded indebtedness on said territory as embraced in the Center Oak Consolidated Common School District, validating and providing for collection of present maintenance tax levy, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to the Committee on Educational Affairs.

Simple Resolution No. 25.

Whereas, during the first called session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature Wilbur P. Allen's appointment as Regent of the University of Texas was confirmed by the Senate, and,

Whereas, before said confirmation, the said Wilbur P. Allen, in person and through his agents and friends, advised various members of this body that, if confirmed, he would not favor the discharge of any instructor in the University of Texas without giving such person a fair, complete and impartial hearing, and,

Whereas, because and by reason of these and sundry other statements the said Wilbur P. Allen was confirmed, and,

Whereas, said statements made by said Allen were fraudulent and untrue, and,

Whereas, he received his confirmation because of said fraud and misrepresentation; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Texas that the said Wilbur P. Allen secured his confirmation as Regent by fraud and untrue statements made by and through him and his friends and agents, and that it is the sense of this body that he resign at once.

STRICKLAND.

JOHNSTON of Harris.

SUITER.

The resolution was read and Senator Strickland moved the adoption of the same.

Pending discussion by Senator Strickland, Senator Page made the point of order that the Senator was making direct references to matters considered by the Senate in execu-

tive session and to the votes cast by individual Senators on such matters, in violation of executive session rules.

The point of order was not ruled on by the Chair for the reason that Senator Strickland had discontinued his remarks.

Senator Gibson as a substitute for the motion to adopt, moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

(Senator Dean in the chair.)

Pending further discussion, Senator Johnston of Harris made the point of order that the discussion is not germane to the resolution.

The point of order was sustained.

Action recurred upon the substitute motion of Senator Gibson to refer the resolution to the Committee on State Affairs, and the motion prevailed and the resolution was accordingly referred by the Chair.

Committee Vacancy Filled.

Senator Gibson moved that the Lieutenant Governor be requested to appoint Senator Page as a member of the Committee on State Affairs to fill the place of Senator King, resigned.

The motion prevailed.

Simple Resolution No. 26.

By Senator Lattimore:

Whereas, A. W. Fly was a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas, and while such regent and on the day of _____, 1917, he was appointed a member of an exemption board, which office he accepted and entered upon; and

Whereas, thereafter the said Board of Regents appointed a date for meeting and said Fly was enjoined from acting as such regent by a court of competent jurisdiction, to wit, a district court of Travis County, Texas; and

Whereas, in order to sit as such regent said Fly attempted to resign from said Exemption Board by sending a resignation to the Governor of Texas, and was thereupon re-appointed as such regent and a new commission was issued to him by the Secretary of State as such regent, which attempted re-

appointment and commission was since May 17th, 1917, and was while the Senate of Texas was at recess; and

Whereas, the Senate was called to meet in special session August 1, 1917, and has now been in session for twenty days and the name of said Fly has not been sent up for appointment or confirmation by the Senate; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate, that the Committee on Nominations of the Senate be instructed to investigate the above facts and if same be found to be substantially true that they make report to the Senate sitting in executive session as to the rejection or confirmation of said Fly as a member of said Board of Regents.

LATTIMORE.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Simple Resolution No. 27.

By Senator Dayton:

Whereas, because of the state of war existing between the United States government and her allies and the imperial German government and her allies, it became necessary for the Congress of the United States to create the National Board of Food Control with authority, among other things, to regulate prices of farm products; and,

Whereas, it is feared that this will be disastrous and injurious to the farmers of this State, at least in a large measure, to place a maximum price on farm products; therefore, be it.

Resolved, by the Senate of Texas, that the United States food commission and the authorities in control at Washington, be earnestly requested to refrain from placing maximum prices on such farm products, in so far as they can, consistent with the administration's policies at Washington.

DAYTON.

The resolution was read and by unanimous consent the same was laid on the table subject to be called up tomorrow.

Simple Resolution No. 28.

By Senator Suiter:

Whereas, the Hon. Earl M. Greer, a former distinguished member of this body is now in the city; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate, that the said

Earl M. Greer be requested to address the Senate and be accorded the privileges of the floor.

SUITER.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Simple Resolution No. 21.

(Pending.)

The Chair laid before the Senate Simple Resolution No. 21, requesting the Governor to submit for consideration the repeal of acts creating normals and other State schools passed at the Regular Session of this Legislature. (See page 28 for the resolution in full and page 35 for the committee substitute for same.)

Senator Bailey moved that the resolution be laid on the table subject to call.

The motion prevailed.

Adjournment.

At 12:25 o'clock p. m. the Senate, on motion of Senator Gibson, adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

Petitions and Memorials.

Senator Johnson of Hall offered the following, which, by unanimous consent, was ordered here printed:

Tulia, Texas, Aug. 1, 1917.

W. A. Johnson, Senator, Austin, Texas:

Referring to Governor's message to Legislature asking help for people in Central and West Texas, this does not apply to the Panhandle and in particular to Swisher County. We have about five thousand people in this county, of whom three thousand are producers, and will produce over five million dollars' worth of wheat and feed crops this year. Cattle are in as good shape as they have been for years. We expect to pay our taxes when due. All we need is more farmers. We are in favor of helping the needy, but desire to have our condition put before the people at large in the proper light.

YOUNG MEN'S BUSINESS LEAGUE.

W. W. Tucker, Secretary.

Committee Report.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Aug. 20, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Alanreed Independent School District in Gray County, Texas, defining its metes and bounds, providing for a board of trustees therefor, vesting it with the rights and duties of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Tuesday, August 21, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice.	Johnson of Hall.
Bailey.	Johnston of Harris
Bee.	Lattimore.
Buchanan of Bell.	McCollum.
Buchanan of Scurry.	McNealus.
Caldwell.	Page.
Clark.	Parr.
Dayton.	Robbins.
Dean.	Smith.
Decherd.	Strickland.
Floyd.	Suiter.
Gibson.	Westbrook.
Hall.	Woodward.
Henderson.	

Absent—Excused.

Harley.	Hudspeth.
Hopkins.	

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.